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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the status of the above-identified patent application, including an indication as to when the next communication can be expected.

Respectfully submitted,

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